

# CLWB RYGBI Y RHYL

## RHYL & DISTRICT RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB LTD.

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(Members of the Welsh Rugby Union)

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### To whom it may concern:

May I put on record, both on a personal level, and on behalf of Rhyl & District RFC Ltd (the Club), my deep appreciation of the very significant help we have received from Denbighshire County Council (DCC) in bringing the Tynewydd Field (TNF) project to fruition. Whether it is your professionals, or your elected members, we have joined forces to create an outstanding new facility for the benefit of our community. In my view, we have created a “virtuous circle”:

1. DCC most obligingly offered the Club a long lease on TNF.
2. The project would not and could not have proceeded had we not been able to maximise the sales value of our property at the Waen.
3. As a result of lengthy consultation between the Club, DCC Planners and Councillors, along with the Planning Committee of the local Council, it was agreed that an appropriate up-market leisure development was feasible.
4. The benefit of this understanding was that the Waen was sold advantageously, every penny realised by the sale was spent on the project, and the new community, social and sporting facility became a reality.
5. The new facility has exceeded our best expectations on a number of fronts. The Club’s community involvement has dramatically increased (see attached lists of community groups pre- and post- our move.) This increase represents a significant planning gain, alongside a very considerable additional community benefit, which continues to grow as the facility increases in popularity. In addition, the Club is operating profitably.
6. The final link in our “virtuous circle” will be a low density, high value leisure development at the Waen, which will further enhance DCC’s leisure portfolio.

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Further to the above, the Club is now very pleased to support the purchasers of the Waen, North Wales Construction Ltd (NWC), in their Planning Application for their proposed development at the Waen. The following points underpin this support:

1. NWC is a locally based developer, who was instrumental in bringing the TNF project to fruition by agreeing to purchase the Waen at a price reflecting the redevelopment value based on the positive feedback received from DCC.
2. At the same time, subject to the above, NWC agreed to enter into a long term sponsorship arrangement with the Club. This latter is of vital importance to the Club, who had been badly let down by the Big Lottery Fund and had been obliged to borrow £160,000 from the Welsh Council for Voluntary Action to complete the project. The outstanding sponsorship monies total £60,000 over subsequent years, a sum of critical importance to the Club's ability to repay the loan in the shortest possible time.
3. The Club's view of the proposed Waen development is that it would enhance the site, it would fully utilise its leisure potential and it would be an important addition to the region's recreational facilities.
4. The proposed development would include provision for community use, with a bunkhouse available for Scouts, Girl Guides and ramblers, a function room, 2 restaurants and a swimming pool available for community use. Once again, a win-win situation for our local community.

In summary, then, and on behalf of the Club, please accept this expression of wholehearted support for NWC's proposal.

Richard Greenwood OBE

Tynwydd Field Project Director.

November, 2019.

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